

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, SHUM, ES  
SUBJECT: FAPU OCCUPIES UNITED NATIONS INFORMATION CENTER IN  
EL SALVADOR

REFS: SAN SALVADOR 0597, (B) SAN SALVADOR 0576

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 0840 HOURS ON JUNE 8, MEMBERS OF THE UNITED POPULAR ACTION FRONT (FAPU) TOOK OVER THE UNITED NATIONS INFORMATION CENTER IN SAN SALVADOR. PRELIMINARY REPORTS INDICATED THAT THE OCCUPANTS WERE NINE IN NUMBER, OF SECONDARY SCHOOL AGE, AND ALL WEARING MASKS TO HIDE THEIR FACES. THE MEMBERS OF FAPU APPARENTLY TOOK OVER THE BUILDING BEFORE THE NATIONAL POLICE GUARD ASSIGNED TO THE BUILDING TOOK HIS POST AT 0900 HOURS AND BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE. TWO SECRETARIES AND ONE SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR WERE IN THE BUILDING WHEN IT WAS TAKEN OVER.

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2. THE OCCUPANTS APPARENTLY HUNG BANNERS ASKING FOR THE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS. PRELIMINARY REPORTS RECEIVED BY DATT'S OFFICE INDICATED THAT WHILE NOT MISTREATING THE U.N. LOCAL EMPLOYEES, THE OCCUPANTS HAD ACTED IN A MORE "AGGRESSIVE" MANNER THAN THE PEOPLE WHO OCCUPIED THE SAME U.N. OFFICE LAST FEBRUARY (SEE REFTEL B).

3. COMMENT. FAPU HAS ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS THIS YEAR OCCUPIED THE EL CALVARIO CHURCH IN SAN SALVADOR (SEE SAN SALVADOR 1854) AND THE SAN SALVADORAN AND SANTA ANA OFFICES OF THE RED CROSS (SEE SAN SALVADOR 2145). THIS ACTION BRINGS TO TWO THE BUILDINGS BEING CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY ANTI-GOES GROUPS IN SAN SALVADOR. THE OTHER IS IN THE OFFICE OF THE RED CROSS, STILL OCCUPIED BY THE "COMMITTEE OF SOLIDARITY WITH POLITICAL PRISONERS AND DISAPPEARED PERSONS" (SEE SAN SALVADOR 2809).

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